

Connecting Our Community to Christ
 St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church
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We are glad you are here today and hope you have found a warm welcome. If you are our guest, please fill out a connection card; we would like to thank you for joining us and would appreciate feedback on your experience at St. Mark. The tall laminated card in the pew rack offers an explanation of our liturgy (order of worship).

Thank you for Giving! One-time or recurring donations may be made securely online by scanning the QR code. For a check or cash offering, please request an envelope from an usher.



Yellow prayer request cards: place in the offering plate or give to an usher.

Communion practice: Our Lord Jesus invites to His table baptized believers who repent of their sin, recognize His presence in the bread and wine as His body and blood, and trust His promise to forgive their sins and strengthen them in the faith. If you have any questions about Holy Communion, feel free to speak to the Elder before worship.

Sunday Livestream: <https://stmarkmendon.com> or scan QR code.



Altar Flowers Today

Given to the glory of God, in loving memory of my son, Charlie Jr's birthday, by Chuck Bannister

Altar Flowers Last Week

Given to the glory of God, in loving memory of my husband, Jim's birthday, by Kay Killenbec

The Divine Glory Is Manifested in the Signs of Christ

When Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana, it was *"the first of his signs"* by which He *"manifested his glory"* (John 2:11). It pointed to His coming *"hour,"* when He was lifted up on the cross for the forgiveness of sins and the life of the world (John 2:4; 12:23-32). The glory of the cross is incomprehensible apart from the Word and Spirit of God, but disciples of Jesus recognize that glory in the signs of His Gospel, and so they believe in Him. Jesus does not wait for His disciples to discover Him on their own, but He seeks out the forsaken and the desolate and unites them to Himself. He adorns them with His own beautiful righteousness and delights in them *"as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride"* (Is. 62:4-5). Purified by the washing of water with His Word in Holy Baptism, His disciples confess that *"Jesus is Lord,"* and they return thanks to Him *"in the Holy Spirit"* (1 Cor. 12:3) as they drink the good wine that He pours out for them, which is the new testament in His blood.

In Our Prayers

Those with Health Concerns: Laurie Simonson (Georgette's friend); Steven Mack (Barb's son); Richard Landseadel (Deb Lillie's father); Will Dunton (Kay's son); Wayne (friend of Barb Done); Len Fiaschetti; Julie Hahn (Sue Henry's daughter); Craig (grandson of Ruth and Jim Meyers); Kathie Monnat; Julie Schulman (Wendie's sister)

Those with Cancer: Donna Smith (Sue Henry's friend); Tim Poppenberg (Dan's brother); Nancy Dunton (Kay's daughter)

Members and Friends in Care: Ron Coyle, Norma Helm, June Mihalov

If you have prayer updates, please send them to secretary@stmarkmendon.com

Coming Up This Week

Today 10:30am Sunday School
 Thurs, 1/23 7pm Choir Practice
 Sun, 1/26 9am Worship
 10:30am Sunday School

Attendance & Giving	Celebrations
Sunday, 1/12 34	Birthdays
Giving \$1,741	Patty Potter 1/22
Weekly Budget \$2,803	Ralph Reimers 1/22
YTD Giving \$4,603	Sally Hacker 1/23
YTD Budget \$5,606	Amanda Bendschneider 1/24
	Lori Blythe 1/25

Serving in God's House		
	Today	January 26
Elder	Ted Veit	John Lehning
Ushers	Rod Amidon & Deb Bolcko	Peter Lehning & Ted Veit
Greeter	Georgette Peterson	Sally Hacker
Altar Care	Margaret Heiss	Sharon Fiaschetti
Office Help	January 24 Kristen Waterstram-Rich	January 31 Barb Mitchell

Second Sunday after Epiphany
 Divine Service II
 Order of Worship
 January 19, 2024

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About the Cover

In instituting marriage, the Lord created a picture of the kind of love that He has for His people. Christ's love and commitment to His Bride, the Church, led all the way to Him giving Himself for her upon the cross to make her pure, blameless, and holy. He rejoices over us, His Bride, and continues to share His eternal life with us.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 62:1–5

- 1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.
- 2 The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- 3 You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- 4 You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.
- 5 For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are

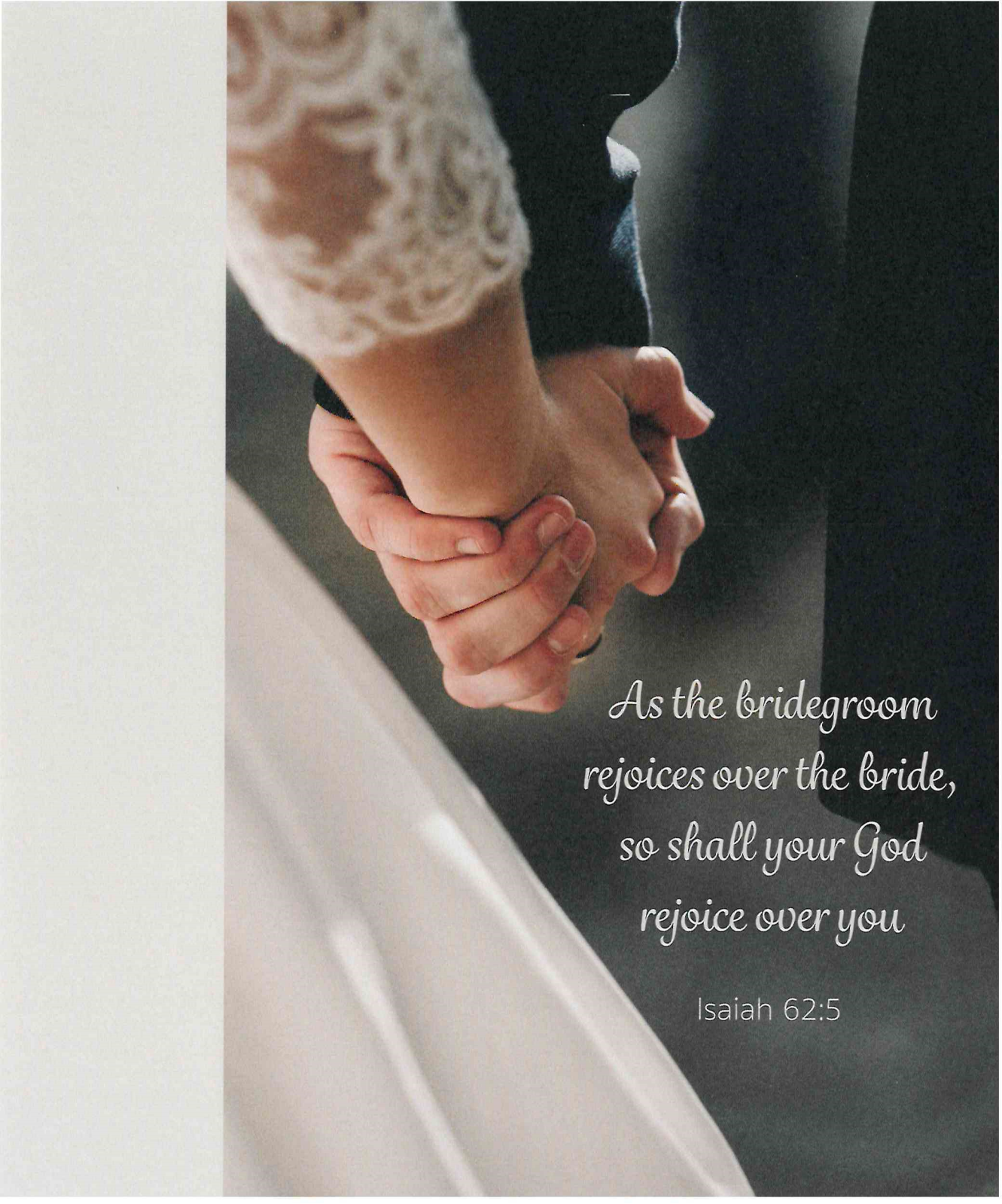
varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.

⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Holy Gospel: John 2:1–11

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.



*As the bridegroom
rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God
rejoice over you*

Isaiah 62:5